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1. Oil Fields

- 50X1 a. In summer 1950, [redacted] oil drilling activity on
50X1 the Bulgarian Black Sea coast, between the towns of Shabla
(N 43-31, E 28-33) and Kaliacra (N 43-21, E 28-30). [redacted] 50X1

50X1 between 1950 and late fall 1953, that a great deal of expansion
50X1 and activity had taken place at this oil field, which had not
50X1 existed during World War II. The oil field was always strongly
50X1 illuminated at night and in fall 1953 [redacted] 50 to 60
50X1 oil derricks inland between Shabla and Kaliacra. Although [redacted]
50X1 [redacted] oil deposits existed close to the western Black Sea
50X1 shore, [redacted] as of January 1954, not observed any off-shore
drilling along the Bulgarian, Rumanian, or USSR coastlines.

- 50X1 b. In 1952, [redacted] oil had been found near
[redacted] ranch in the village of Saveni (N 47-58, E 26-53)

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and that the area around the village was being developed into an oil field. 50X1

- c. In 1952 [redacted] new oil fields had been found near Curtea-de-Arges (N 45-08, E 24-42) and at an unidentified point along the banks of the Jiu River.

2. In addition to the old oil pipelines, i.e., Floesti to Giurgiu (N 43-53, E 25-57) and Floesti to Constanta, [redacted] 50X1

50X1 [redacted] the Floesti-Reni (N 45-28, E 28-17) pipeline was completed in 1947. This pipeline presumably ran from Floesti, through Urziceni (N 44-43, E 26-41), Braila, and Galati, ending at Reni: it was used to transport crude oil to the USSR. 50X1 [redacted] the Floesti-Giurgiu pipeline had been extended to the Bulgarian shore of the Danube, but that it stopped at Giurgiu, where the oil was loaded onto tanker barges. 50X1

[redacted]; both Rumania and Bulgaria are more interested in their individual exports than in mutual trade. 50X1

3. From March 1953 to July 1953, crude oil was shipped along the Danube from Rumania to Vienna and Bratislava. Although SOVROM-TRANSPORT owned 21 tanker barges, only seven were in usable condition. These barges had a capacity of 1,200 tons, but as they were old, never carried more than 800 tons. Refined petroleum products were transported from Vienna and Bratislava back to Rumania on the barges.

1. [redacted]

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